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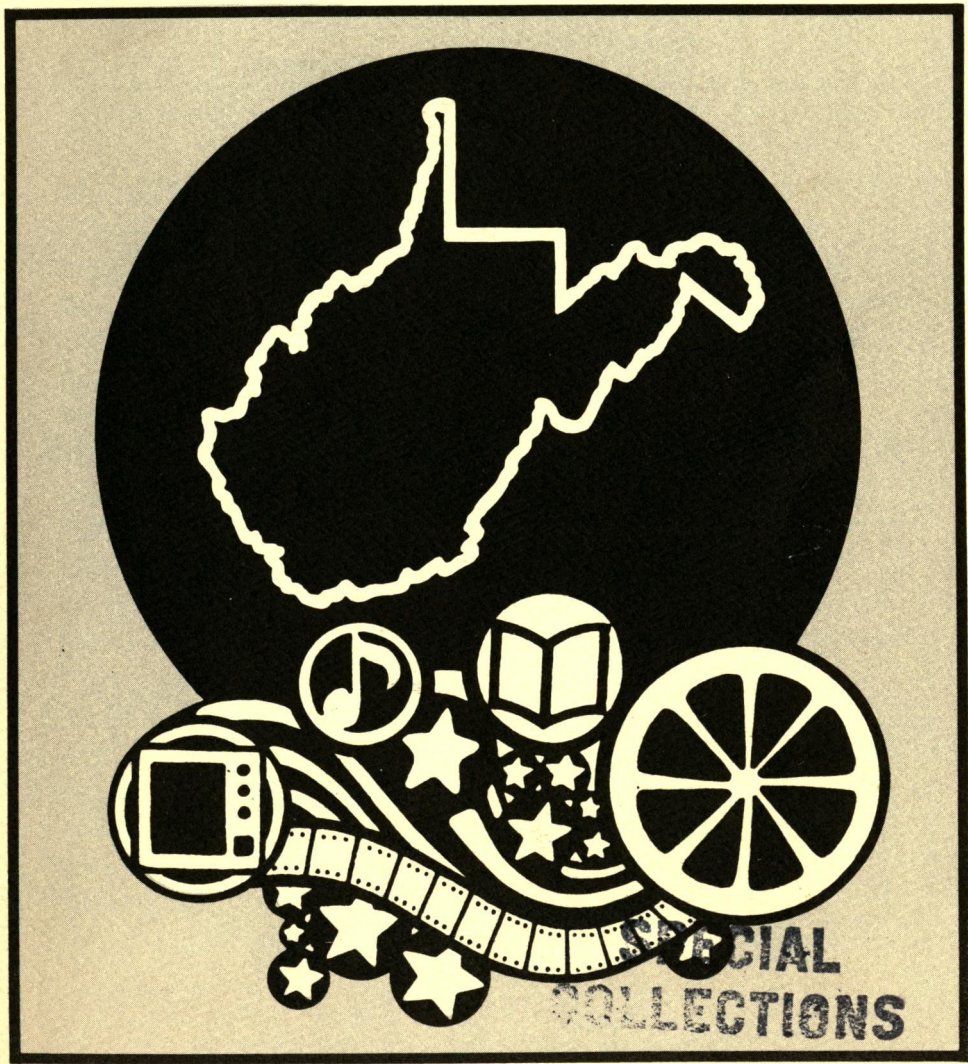
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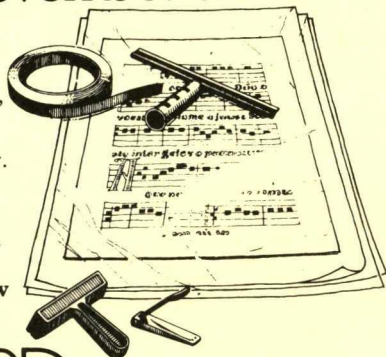
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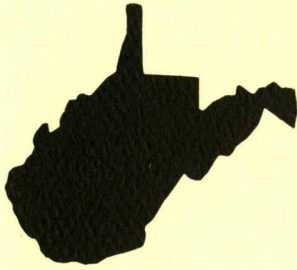


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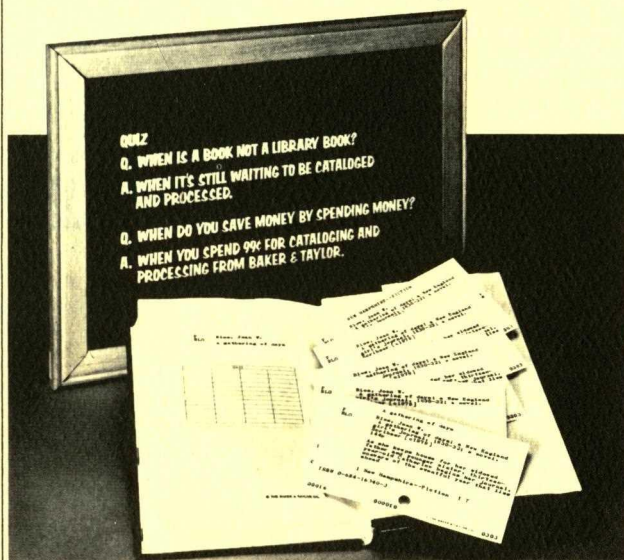
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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

The legislative dinner is over and our duty as a group is over for another year. However, I would urge each of you to remember our duty as individuals is never complete. It is still important to contact legislators and discuss your needs and urge their support for libraries. The latter should, of course, be on-going throughout the year.



I do wish to thank all of you who made the legislative dinner such a success this year. It was most gratifying to see such numbers there. I especially wish to acknowledge the contribution made by the members of the legislative Committee with Luella Dye, Chairman. And thanks to Fred Glazer, our "idea man", for the theme -- "Libraries, your best investment." The monetary contributions made by Encyclopedia Britannica Educational Corporation and Mainline Books were greatly appreciated.

I am happy to report that graduate level library science classes will be offered at Ashland Community College by the University of Kentucky. Dr. Sineath has been most helpful in setting up the program which is scheduled to begin in September. Please look for more information in this issue of West Virginia Libraries concerning special meetings to be held April 29.

Please check over the list of committees in this issue as there have been a few changes since the last issue. I want to urge the committees to be working as this is where the Association accomplishes its goals. The ad-hoc committee on State Documents has spent a day in Charleston discussing the possibility of legislation to complete their charge. I understand that any legislation will need to be delayed until next year in order to have time to do all the ground work,

Don't forget to plan to attend the annual conference at the Greenbrier, November 12, 13, and 14. Also I might mention that I was approached by the presidents of the Virginia Library Association and the District of Columbia Library Association for having a joint conference. If you are interested, please let, me, or members of the Executive Board, know --pro or con.

Judy Rule, President

LEGISLATORS HEAR GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER,
SENATOR SAM ERVIN AT BANQUET
By Jerry Spiegler
Cabell County Public Library

West Virginia's libraries climbed another step closer to financial success on Tuesday, March 3, 1981, during the 8th Annual Library Appreciation Day Banquet at the Charleston Civic Center when more than 800 library supporters joined members of the West Virginia Legislature to hear retired United States Senator Sam Ervin deliver an impassioned plea on behalf of "libraries in the Great State of West Virginia."

Earlier in the evening attendees heard Governor Rockefeller reiterate his library funding proposals. Rockefeller explained his position by stating, "Who knows what's going to happen to the Appalachian Regional Commission? Who knows what's going to happen to the Economic Development Act? Who knows what's going to happen to highway funds? I'm not going to sit by and see progress grind to a halt in West Virginia. We're going to move ahead in the decade of the 80's. The long sought-after goal of \$3 per capita represents a major part of our program of progress for West Virginia in the decade of the 80's."

Master of Ceremonies Tom Potter, recently retired from the West Virginia Library Commission and a former member of the West Virginia Legislature opened the program by introducing special guests, Senate President Warren McGraw and Speaker of the House of Delegates Clyde See. Both men generally supported the Governor's funding proposals but stated they would have to reserve final judgement until the legislature could act on proposals to increase the sales tax and the cigarette tax.

Next, a brief statement was issued by Governor Rockefeller's personal representative George E. Carenbauer. The Governor was called away to deliver the opening address at an Afro-American Cultural Exhibition at the Science and Cultural Center. Mr. Potter joked with the legislators and then introduced former House speaker Lewis N. McManus. Mr. McManus, a long-time friend of libraries, spoke about Senator Ervin and warmly welcomed him on behalf of all West Virginians.

Senator Ervin delivered an eloquent and well paced speech, reminiscent of a style of public speaking all but lost today. The Senator recalled his years in the United States Senate, related several comic episodes, and shared many of his personal memories and beliefs. A much impressed audience heard the Senator say over and over, "I cannot overemphasize the importance of books and libraries in the education of our children." He related personal book selections for his grandchildren and discussed the particular importance of poetry in his own life. He briefly discussed his findings during the now famous Senate Watergate Hearings and mentioned his own recent publication The Whole Truth, which he hoped would enlighten the public about the entire Watergate Affair. Senator Ervin concluded his speech with a strong statement supporting the goal of \$3 per capita and received a standing ovation from an appreciative audience.



FILM AS A REFERENCE SOURCE

By Steve Fesenmaier

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Books continue to be as potent today as they were in ancient times. There is current belief in some quarters today that electronic media will displace books. But wiser experts do not believe this.

Edward L. Berneys, pioneer
of modern public relations
(1973)

The problem is not so much as matter of informing librarians, as it is of converting them to a new religion in which one god is now revealed as having several persons.

Deirdre Boyle, media
Librarian (1977)

Perhaps at some time out there in the world of the future we shall be able to communicate directly through the process of thought transfer. There might then be no need to feed ideas to others on a word-at-a-time basis until they "get the picture." We can conceptualize.

Harold R. Jenkins, director,
Kansas City Public Library
(1976)

In an editorial I wrote for the University of Minnesota Daily (1973) entitled "The Future of Film" I quoted the editor of one of the best, if not the single best, annual reference tools in the world of film. International Film Guide, as stating the following:

There is no doubt that, in order to communicate their vision, the liveliest minds of the postwar generation have turned to film rather than to the play or the novel. (Peter Cowie, 1973)

Four years later a book was reviewed in the New York Review of Books by the title of The Most Important Art; Eastern European Film After 1945 (Mira Liehm and Antonin J. Liehm, 1977) Finally, if one bothered to pick up the latest edition of the most successful American counter-culture magazine since WWII, Rolling Stone, April 6, 1978, one will find a beautiful 12 year old actress on the cover, Brooke Shields, who stars in Louis Malle's latest film, "Pretty Baby." Slowly but surely Rolling Stone has become more and more interested in the world of movies. We can see that something is happening - both the Culture and its opposing counter-culture are picking up on the great meaning one can find in a work of cinema. I would hazard to predict. now that the future of film is the future of art plus a lot more.

In a 1970 publication of the American Library Association, Guidelines for Audiovisual Materials & Services for Public Libraries, three basic assumptions were made:

1. Librarians are concerned with the products of the life of the imagination, the intellect, and the spirit of man.
2. All formalized communication formats are of interest to Librarians.
3. Audiovisual materials and services should have equal weight, equal concern, equal familiarity, and equal support of library administrations and staff to those of printed materials. Intergration of planning and programs regardless of subject, format, or age level served is required for the library to continue as a relevant agency. (p.1)

These assumptions are now already ten years old. Roberts (1976) has reported in great detail how a number of specific large public libraries have utterly failed to live up to these three basic assumptions. One can be quite safe in guessing that no library in the United States lives by these assumptions; all one finds is a form of discrimination against non-print materials called "printism" by Roberts (1976). In the October 1971 edition of Library Trends which deals with "Library Programs and Services to the Disadvantaged" one can find only one article dealing with "multi-media" programs, one by Roberts, "Tomorrow's Illiterates". The other one listed under the "multi-media" section is actually a well done photographic essay on Appalachia by Milton Rogovin. Obviously something is wrong- if film is as important a method of communicating human thoughts and emotions as Peter Cowie, ALA, and myself believe, then library periodicals, library budgets, library education, etc., etc. should be doing a lot more.

There are, of course, many librarians who do believe that films can be reference source, i.e., sources of information. Shera (1976), Popper (1974), Brown (1976), Hoffman (1976), Aceto (1968), and Arnheim (1969) are all scholars and /or librarians who believe that "visual thinking" is as important as any other. One prominent librarian/scholar, Estelle Jussim, has written many articles and a number of books dealing with the importance of photography and film in the world of knowledge. Two articles, "The Research Uses of Visual Information" (1977) and "Film as History", are excellent introductions to the world of film taken from the point of view of the scholar/librarian. Her magnus opum. Visual Communication and the Graphic Arts (1974), presents in great detail via an analysis of a number of important illustrators the impact photography had on visual communication. Her discussion of the ultimate meaning of "printism" on young minds is found in her article in School Libraries, "Confronting Our Media Biases: The Social Dimensions of Media theory" (1972). She has also written a number of book reviews which are helpful in understanding her non-printist attitude toward the materials libraries conserve for society. Other librarians who are interested in film as a reference source include Black (1970), Weech (1973), Duran (1973) Sloan (1974), McLean (1975), Segal (1977), Einstein (1976), Bogan (1976), Coleman (1977), and Harrington (1977). Most of these articles discuss the various problems libraries have in building and maintaining audio-visual collections; all of the above authors feel that audio-visual collections are just as important as the book of a library/reference collection.

There are two collections of articles by librarians which are of great utility in the war between the printists and the non-printists. New Media in Public Libraries; A survey of Current Practices (1976) by James W. Brown is based on a questionnaire answered by 235 public libraries and includes 85 case studies written by the "on-site" librarian. The author visited quite a few libraries personally. Various chapters deal with films, televisions, mediamobiles, and the future of media in public libraries. Most of the authorities in the field have some piece included. Expanding Media edited by Deirdre Boyle includes the cream of the crop - articles by Estelle Jussim (2), Don Roberts (2), Ted Perry, Jay R. Peyser, Kenyon C. Rosenberg (2), Sanford Berman, and John W. Ellison. Almost without exception the articles are, of course, in favor of non-print materials. One piece by Harry Foster, "The Media Religion", is very reactionary - but then, so is one of the foremost avant garde filmmakers in the world, Bruce Connors, who told me that libraries should just concern themselves with books and magazines!

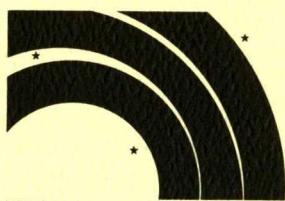
In closing I would like to quote Mr. Jenkins:

For many years public libraries have distributed films that play useful and valued roles in coupling entertainment with casual learnings. But in today's management of public libraries, films are also coming to be regarded as effective reference tools. In assisting patrons in their search for appropriate information, librarians often recommend the viewing of films on subjects of interest... In similar ways, reference librarians now make equally effective uses of filmstrips, slides, and transparencies.

This pretty much says it all - films are no longer entertainment. They are ART & KNOWLEDGE. One does not have to have heard of Marshall McLuhan to know that film can be taken seriously. Films, in the post-industrial, post-literate society, ARE the most important art.

1 Harold R. Jenkins "New Media in Public Libraries: A Director's View," New Media in Public Libraries, James W. Brown, Norton Publishers/Gaylord Brothers., 1976, p.204

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LIBRARY NAMES

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Alas, all good things must come to an end! Such is the case as this represents the last installment in the Library Names series. To all of the cooperating Directors and Librarians I owe many thanks. Particularly to those who had to cope with my nagging inquiries -- your patience was greatly appreciated. Hopefully, the series of articles has stimulated some interest in the history of State Librarianship. As usual, photo copying is courtesy of Don Phillips, Director of the Media Center, Glenville State College.

SWANEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Charles Thomas Swaney was born on January 15, 1871 in New Cumberland to Thomas and Mary Atkinson Swaney. Not many specifics in regard to his life have been preserved for historical posterity. He spent his early years in New Cumberland. After studying medicine he moved to Niles, Ohio where he set up practice. However, he frequently returned to New Cumberland to visit friends and retained membership in the Presbyterian Church of New Cumberland and was a director of the New Cumberland Cemetery Association.

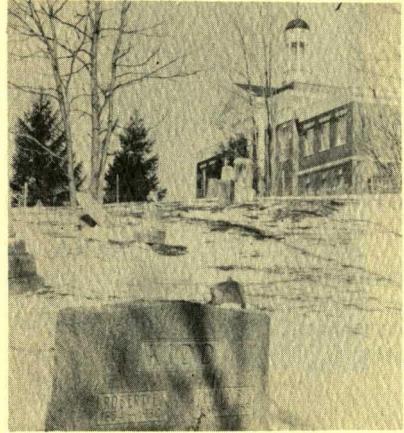
After retiring from his medical practice, Dr. Swaney purchased and managed a steel fabricating plant in Niles. It was this enterprise which made the doctor wealthy. Swaney died on December 18, 1950 in Niles. He had been in failing health for some time and had suffered a heart attack at the time of his death.

Swaney's will stated his intention to provide "especially for the benefit of the boys and girls of the community, a public library building, including an assembly hall to be used by the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts." Swaney provided the site and \$60,000 for the construction and equipping of a new library/assembly hall. Along with additional financial residue, the new library could expect a gift of approximately \$160,000 from Dr. Swaney. A further stipulation was that groundbreaking ceremonies must take place within three years of the doctor's death.

The new memorial library was opened in April of 1954.

(Information courtesy ---
Judy Reed)

ROBERT F. KIDD LIBRARY



Robert Franklin Kidd was born the son of Thomas and Margaret (Johnson) Kidd on February 11, 1853 in Upshur County. He was educated in the common, private, and normal schools at Buckhannon and in Virginia. Kidd served as Editor of the Buckhannon Banner until 1882. He began the study of law in 1880 with C.C. Higgenbottom and later with John Bassell of Clarksburg. In 1882, Kidd was admitted to the bar.

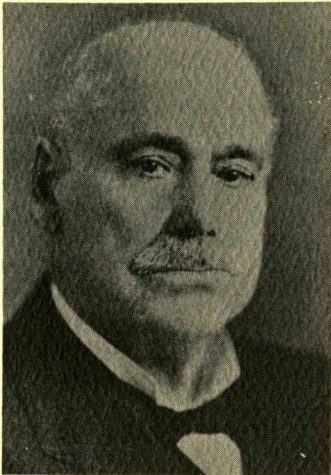
From 1882-1884, Robert F. Kidd served as Principal of Glenville State Normal School. In 1884 he resigned the principalship to devote his time practicing law in Glenville. Kidd has a long legislative career including representation of Gilmer County in the W.Va. House of Delegates in 1887 and service as a member of the W.Va. Senate (Ninth District) from 1899 to 1915. He was re-elected to the Senate in 1922 and 1924 (Tenth District) and attended the legislative sessions of 1923-25-27. In 1928, after an absence of 41 years, Kidd was again elected to the W.Va. House of Representatives where he served until his death. Kidd was a Democrat and a Methodist who served on numerous legislative committees. Other affiliations included membership in the Masons, Knights of Pythias, and the Woodmen of the World.

In the 1920's the Glenville Normal School sorely needed new library facilities. President E.G. Rohrbough (in 1927) recommended to the Legislature that a new library building be constructed. Largely due to a long-standing benevolent relationship with the college, Mr. Kidd used his legislative influence for an appropriation of \$50,000 from the Legislature in March of 1929 for the construction of a new library building on the Glennville campus.

As a token of the College's appreciation, the new library building was named after Robert Franklin Kidd. He never lived to see the completion of the new library (now Clark Hall on the Glenville Campus,) for R.F. Kidd died on June 8, 1930 and the library doors were not opened to the public until April 2, 1931.

Mr. Kidd and his wife are buried in a cemetery adjacent to Louis Bennett Hall, a dormitory on the Glenville State Campus. Thus, the grave is not far from "his" library. On December 9, 1966 a new library building was dedicated -- once again to the memory of Robert F. Kidd.

(Information courtesy ---
Dr. David M. Gillespie, Director
of Robert F. Kidd Library at
Glenville State College)



MUSICK LIBRARY



Ruth Ann Musick was born on September 17, 1897. She was a noted folklorist and fiction writer as well as founder of the West Virginia Folklore Journal and Archivist of the West Virginia Folklore Society. Her interests also included membership in the umane Society, West Virginia Poetry Society, Defenders of Wildlife, National Folk Festival Association, and the National Retired Teachers Association.

Dr. Musick attended many schools. Her B.S. in Education was granted at Kirksville State Teachers College. She received a Master of Science degree with a major in mathematics in 1928 and a PhD in English from the State University of Iowa in 1943. Musick's dissertation director at Iowa encouraged her to write the first of many, Hell's Holler. Subsequently, she gathered a collection of folk songs from her family in Missouri which were later selected for the 1947 Memoir of the American Folklore Society.

In the Fall of 1946, Dr. Musick was employed as Associate Professor in English at Fairmont State College. She served in the Language and Literature Division there until her retirement in 1967 -- a total of 21 years. While at Fairmont, Musick organized a folklore class and from her contacts with the people of North-Central West Virginia collected a wealth of material which has since been presented in three books. Her Publications include Ballads, Folk Songs, and Folk Tales from West Virginia (WVU Library, 1960), Green Hills of Magic, West Virginia Folktales from Europe (University Press of Kentucky, 1970), The Telltale Lilac Bush and Other West Virginia Ghost Tales (University Press of Kentucky, 1977). The first literary award given by the West Virginia Library Association was presented to Dr. Musick for Green Hills of Magic in 1972.

Also a poet, Musick combined her affiliation with the Marion County Humane Society and literary talents as a powerful instrument in speaking out for public causes. Two of her poems won first place in the West Virginia Poetry Society's Roy Lee Harmin Poet Laureate Award.

Ruth Ann Musick died on July 2, 1974. The library at Fairmont State College was named in memory of Dr. Musick in the fall of 1980.

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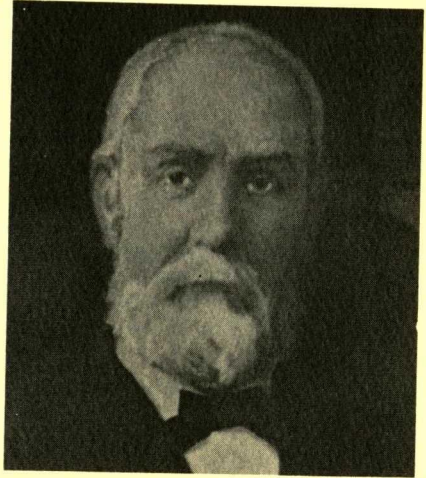
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James Elmore Morrow was born in Brooke County, Virginia (now Hancock County, W.Va.) on March 28, 1837, the son of Alexander M. Morrow. He was educated at the Fairview (Virginia) Academy from 1850-1853. In 1856 Morrow received his degree from Jefferson College in Pennsylvania. Subsequent degrees were received in 1875 (A.M.) and 1889 (PhD). On September 19, 1867 Morrow married Clara J. Johnson. They later had five children.

From 1856-58 James E. Morrow was engaged in teaching. In 1869, after studying law, he was admitted to the bar. From 1861-1864 Morrow served in the Union Army rising to the rank of captain. He was honorably discharged on December 10, 1864.

After his marriage Morrow devoted his life to teaching. He served as the Principal of Marshall College (now Marshall University) from 1872-1873. After that time, the family moved to Pennsylvania where Professor Morrow served as Principal of a State Normal and later in the public schools of Pittsburgh. Politically, Morrow was a Republican. He also was a member of the Presbyterian faith.

Upon his death in 1904, at which time Morrow was principal of the Allegheny High School, the total years of his service in educational fields spanned a quarter of a century.

One of Morrow's sons, Dwight W. Morrow, later became a noted U.S. Senator and Ambassador to Mexico. Former Ambassador Morrow offered a grant of \$25,000 so that the library at Marshall might be constructed. It was named after his father, James E. Morrow, upon completion in 1930.

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RUTH SCARBOROUGH LIBRARY
SHEPHERD COLLEGE



Ruth Scarborough was born in 1904 at Hawkinsville, Georgia. She graduated from Hawkinsville High School and received a B. A. degree from Tift College in Forsyth, Georgia. Master's work was completed at Mercer University with a thesis entitled, "Opposition to Secession in Georgia." George Peabody College granted Scarborough's doctoral degree. Her doctoral dissertation was entitled, "Opposition to Slavery in Georgia". Dr. Scarborough had done post-doctoral work at Columbia University, University of California, and Oxford University.

Honorary membership includes Theta Chi Omega, Kappa Delta Pi, and Delta Kappa Gamma.

Dr. Scarborough's teaching career began at Alabama State College. From there she joined the faculty at Arkansas State College where she served as Head of the Social Science Department. In 1936, Scarborough began her tenure at Shepherd College where she remained until 1966. During this time she served as Chairman of the Division of Social Sciences.

Upon moving to Pineview, Georgia, Ruth Scarborough served as Chairman of the Division of Social Science at Tift College until her retirement in the spring of 1979.

Over the years Ruth Scarborough has traveled extensively. While at Shepherd College she conducted tours of the South Pacific, Europe, South America, and other areas around the world.

Dr. Scarborough held membership in the National Education Association, West Virginia Education Association, Higher Education Association, American Association of University Women, American Association of University Professors, American Historical Association, Southern Historical Association, National Council on Social Studies, and the Foreign Association.

According to the April, 28, 1977 issue of the Shepherd College newspaper, The Picket, the honor of naming the library after Dr. Scarborough was in recognition of her outstanding service to Shepherd College prior to her retirement and for the continued interest that she has shown in Shepherd College. This interest has been manifested through monetary donations for scholarships in an effort to encourage young people to attend Shepherd College.

The library was dedicated in Dr. Scarborough's honor on May 14, 1977.

(Information courtesy---
Floyd W. Miller)

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MORGANTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

By Dr. Earl L Core

What is now the Morgantown Public Library was founded in 1926 by the Women's Club of Morgantown under the name of the Waitman Barbe Memorial Library. It was named for an English professor at West Virginia University, "beloved as a teacher, distinguished as a writer, and popularly respected throughout the state," Dr. Barbe had been born near Morgantown on November 19, 1864 and had died the previous autumn, October 30, 1925. It was felt that the Library would be a fitting memorial to the well known scholar. It was not however, an endowed library.

The Library opened its doors for the first time on the afternoon of June 28, 1926, in the Women's Club rooms at 356 Spruce Street, with about 500 books, all donated, and was primarily designed as a children's library. It was planned to be open two afternoons a week staffed by members of the Club.

In February, 1927, the Library was moved into a corner room on the second floor of the new Municipal Building, becoming, in a sense, a Public Library, although still supported by gifts. It now had 1,700 volumes on the shelves.

On January 3, 1929 an election was held on a Municipal Library levy and the levy was approved. It was expected to yield about \$1,800 annually, to be used for the purchase of books. The Library was now to be open daily; other costs were to be paid for by gifts.

In 1932 the Library was moved into more commodious quarters in the basement of the city building, with an entrance on Fayette Street. The Tax Limitation Amendment to the State Constitution was adopted the same year and no further library levy was possible. Funding there after was from the regular city budget. In 1937 the allocation was \$800.

Efforts began to be made in 1938 to obtain a library building and better funding, but these efforts met with only discouraging results.

The first request was received in 1948, from the will of University Professor Rebecca Pollock, and amounted to \$1,781.91.

Property adjacent to the City Hall was purchased in July, 1948 for a new library building but no funds were available for construction. By 1952 there were 14,365 volumes on the shelves. The circulation in the 1952-53 fiscal year was 46,534 and the city appropriation was \$6,960.

Following an extended campaign, an election was held on November 14, 1961 for a special three-year levy to construct a library building. The levy was adopted by a vote of 76.16% and was expected to raise about \$244,000. In addition, a grant of about \$156,00 was secured from the Area Redevelopment Administration.

Architect Robert G. Bennett drew plans for the building to be located at 373 Spruce Street, and the contract was awarded to R.S. Corson, Incorporated, late in 1963. Work began at once, the building was completed in a year's time, and was occupied on November 25, 1964. The building was of two floors, with a depth of 104 feet and a width of 77 feet.

At this time the name changed to Morgantown Public Library, a change that had been suggested at various times in the past, because it was felt that the original name implied to some persons that the Library was an endowed institution, not eligible for public funding. The name was also more accurate, indicating that it was supported by the City of Morgantown.

But Waitman Barbe was not forgotten and a large portrait of him has hung ever since in the entrance to the building.

DRAIN-JORDAN LIBRARY

In 1973, the DRAIN-JORDAN LIBRARY was named for two members of the West Virginia State College staff who gave outstanding service in the development of the College Library. They are Mrs. Leaonead Pack Drain Bailey, former Head Librarian and Professor Lawrence Victor Jordan, former Professor of Education. It was as Leonead P. Drain that this librarian made her outstanding contribution, although she later remarried and changed her name to Bailey.

Leaonead Pack Drain Bailey (1906-)

Mrs. Leaonead Pack Drain Bailey was born in Hinton, West Virginia in 1906 and is presently living in Detroit, Michigan. She is an alumna of West Virginia State College, having graduated with the A.B. degree in 1972. She began work on the library staff in 1927, but later enrolled in the University of Illinois Library School, from which she received the B.S. degree in 1929. She did additional study at Western Reserve University in 1946 and Columbia University in 1949.

Mrs. Bailey served the college Library in various capacities during her long tenure, including that of Acting Librarian for several years. She became Head Librarian in 1949 and served faithfully until November 15, 1956.

While at West Virginia State College, Mrs. Bailey worked towards collection development and was instrumental in planning the new library building which was dedicated on October 19, 1951.

This attractive, three-story spacious building was planned to provide for growth of the book collection and of the student body. The building was well-furnished and provided a conducive atmosphere for reading, study and research.

Mrs. Bailey left West Virginia State College in 1956 to join her husband in St. Louis, Missouri where she accepted the position as Head of the Reference Department at St. Louis University Library. She later moved to Detroit where she worked in the Reference Department of the University of Detroit Library until her retirement in 1971. Mrs. Bailey has one son, John Robert Drain, who is married and lives in Detroit with his wife and two sons.

LAWRENCE VICTOR JORDAN (1901 - 1980)

Lawrence Victor Jordan was born in Washington, D.C. in 1901 and died in New York City in 1980. He earned the A.B. degree from Ohio University in 1926, the A.M. degree from Columbia University in 1931 and did further study at Columbia University for a number of summers. In 1968, West Virginia State College bestowed upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Pedagogy in recognition for his outstanding service and achievement at the college.

Mr. Jordan came to West Virginia State College in 1934 and remained on the faculty until his retirement in 1968 as Professor of Education. While at the college, he served in a number of capacities. He held positions as Principal of the Laboratory High School, Associate Professor of Education, Professor of Education, Supervisor of Student Teaching, and Chairman of the Department of Education from 1963-67.

Mr. Jordan had a special interest in the library and was one of its greatest supporters. He was very knowledgeable about library science having taken several courses at the Columbia University School of Library Science. He had served also as Assistant Curator of the Schomburg Collection of the New York Public Library in 1933-34 prior to coming to West Virginia State College.

Mr. Jordan served many years as chairman of the Library Committee at West Virginia State College and keenly interested in the development of the library and devoted much of his time to assisting Mrs. Leonead Drain Bailey in planning the present library building.

(Information courtesy ---
John E. Scott, Director of
Drain-Jordan Library at
West Virginia State College)

DORA BEE WOODYARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Francis Dora Bee was born on June 11, 1870, the daughter of Josiah and Mary Jane Davis Bee in West Union (Doddridge County), West Virginia. In 1874 the family moved to Wirt County and took up residence in the Kanawha House. The Reverend Charles E. Shaw married Russell A. Woodyard and Francis Dora Bee on April 9, 1893 in Elizabeth, West Virginia.

Mrs. Woodyard taught in elementary schools located in Joplin, Missouri and later in West Virginia including Parkersburg, Elizabeth and Palestine. At the age of 62, Mrs. Woodyard was granted a high school diploma (1932.) In December 1935 she was granted a Life Teaching Certificate. Dora Bee Woodyard died on April 21, 1950.

The Library was named after Mrs. Woodyard in 1962 by Ronald B. Woodyard as a memorial to his mother.

(Information courtesy ---
Ronald B. Woodyard and
Karen Dailey)

THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS is seeking help in locating books and other publications about American ethnic groups as part of the Library's planned expansion of that area of its collection.

If the publications are for sale, the announcement said, the Library wants to know the author, title, name and address of the publication, number of pages and price.

Information should be sent to: Exchange and Gift Division, Ethnic Unit, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540

CABELL COUNTY NEWS NOTES

JUNIOR SERVICES NEWS

The Junior Services Department at the Cabell County Public Library is gearing up for a variety of activities. Nancy Renfro will be conducting an all-day Puppetry Workshop on March 19, 1981. Plans have already begun for the Western countries "Summer of fun '81" summer reading program. The combined reading/activities program will feature live events as well as subject and hobby oriented reading kits designed to prove that reading is primarily fun. How many of us really believe that?

Also slated are outdoor performances, picnics, exhibits, and craft activities. The Junior Services staff will be assisting the Cabell County 4-H camp by conducting a series of storytelling workshops for young people. Also scheduled are monthly puppet shows for pre-schoolers, Saturday films for the family, and a read-to-me club for new mothers.

Young adults will have an opportunity to expand their personal horizons when the library announces its YA Book Discussion Project scheduled for the summer. We hope to stimulate participation in the project by giving a free paperback to each participant.

NEW BUILDINGS

At this writing, Milton Branch of the Cabell County system is in the most final stages of completion with the move to the new quarters slated for early spring. The ultra modern library will replace cramped, rented quarters that have served as the Milton Library since it opened.

Since the Milton Branch Library, even in its present location, generates more circulation than any other Cabell County branch, it is expected that the new 7,000 plus square foot facility will be well-used by Milton area residents.

Also, under construction in Cabell County is the new Gallaher Village Branch. That building, now under roof, will also replace inadequate, rented quarters. When completed, the 5,500 square foot facility will serve one of Huntington's most populous residential areas.

LITERACY WORKSHOP

On March 13, 14, and 15 the Cabell County Public Library, in conjunction with the Lutheran Church Women and the Huntington Information and Referral Service, sponsored a literacy workshop to train volunteer tutors to teach non-reading adults to read. Twenty-three volunteers registered for the 14 hour training session. Mrs. Sally Dingfelder, resident of Erie, PA and active participant in the Volunteer Reading Aids program nationally, was trainer for the workshop.

To make certain that each tutor would have an adult student to work with after their training, students were recruited prior to the workshop. Newspaper articles, announcements in church newsletters, signs on public bulletin boards, and media spot announcements were used to get the word out on the "each one teach one" program. The Information and Referral Service received the calls on a strictly confidential basis and tutors and students were matched.

We know from census figures that there are over 6,000 Non-reading adults in our area. We hope to be able to change the lives of a few by helping open new worlds to them. It is hoped the concept will spread. Already, in Cabell County plans are being made to hold another training session in the fall.

ADULT PROGRAMS

In February Cabell County Public Library sponsored two successful programs for adults. On February 19, a workshop on how to select and hang wallpaper was given. Clark Diehl, veteran paperhanger from the Parkersburg area did the workshop. Utilizing several sections of portable walls, Mr. Diehl and his assistant were able to show how professional paperhangers deal with a variety of trouble spots in homes. number of those attending were given "hands-on" experience in cutting, pasting, and hanging paper on the wall.

Also, in February, the Huntington Police Department's Crime Prevention Bureau did an excellent program on home security. They showed samples of the most common kinds of door locks (good and bad), and illustrated how a would-be burglar would cope with each. Using a film as catalyst, the officers then dicussed vulnerable points in the home community watch program, sexual assault, and the importance of marking valuables.

LIBRARIES AND VEGETABLE GARDENING

On March 26, the Cabell County Public Library, the West Virginia University Extension Service, and the Pesticide Division on the West Virginia Department of Agriculture co-sponsored a small plot vegetable gardening program titled "Grow Your Own". As in past years, this program was well attended, since ever increasing food prices are forcing people to trim their food bills. The two hour program covered everything from soil preparation to weed and insect control.

John L. Lewis, Cabell County Extension agent, talked about soil tests, soil preparation, and seeding and transplanting vegetable crops. Debbie Fields, field representative for the West Virginia Department of Agriculture, Pesticide Division, discussed some aspects of organic gardening as well as safe use of pesticides. Dr. Jack Baniecki, Professor of entomology and plant pathology at West Virginia University related what can be done about common garden insects that can destroy crops or reduce yield.

We can highly recommend similar vegetable gardening programs to libraries in any part of the state.

ALA TO SAN FRANCISCO BY AMTRAK

Fare: Regarding group train discount (15 + persons)

1. Round trip is \$344.00
2. Coach only. Does not include sleeper which is at regular fare. However, there is the Family Plan and also the Excursion Rate. Family Plan requires husband/wife or 2 persons sharing same space. Excursion rate available. FP and ER applies to sleepers only.

Travel:

Leaves Charleston June 23, 1981 at 6:03 a.m.
Arrive San Francisco June 25, 1981 at 4:45 p.m.

Contact Nick Winowich at KANAWHA COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY for further information.

MARY H. WEIR PUBLIC LIBRARY
ANNOUNCES NEW ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR

June Ellen Eiselstein, Assistant Director Mary H. Weir Public Library, Weirton, is a native West Virginian. She calls Huntington home.

Work experience have taken her from the Ohio River to the Chesapeake Bay and back to the Ohio. She started as a preprofessional at the Gallaher Village Branch and Bookmobile of the Cabell County Public Library System Huntington, West Virginia. Upon completion of her M.L.S., Miss Eiselstein set up Bookmobile Service for the Newport News Public Library System, Newport News, Virginia (1972-1974). Her next venture was with urban library work at Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Maryland. As a children's librarian at the Edmondson Avenue Branch and later as a Branch Head-Children's Specialist at Forest Park, June developed skills at community organizing, outreach services and work with the disadvantaged.

While in Baltimore, Miss Eiselstein helped the Forest Park community apply for a grant to establish a Senior Citizen's Center, which is now in its second year of operation, served as Recorder for the Advisory Board of Project C.A.S.T. (Community And Schools Together) and was a member of the Mayor's Human Services Coordinating Council for the Garrison Area. Other activities involved serving as Vice President of the Northwest District Police Community Relations Council for which she also edited it's newsletter.

Miss Eiselstein holds a masters' in library science degree from the University of Pittsburgh's Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences (1972) and an undergraduate degree in education from Marshall University (1971).

Memberships and professional activities include the American Library Association, Maryland Library Association, N.A.P.P.A (National Association for the Perpetuation and Preservation of Storytelling) and Beta Phi Mu. A.L.A. committee work includes ALSC-Library Service to children with Special Needs 1976-1978 and PLA-SMLS Publications Committee Starter List for Branch Collections Subcommittee 1978-1981.

MUNCHCON SCIENCE FICTION CONVENTION

By Steve Saffel



Professional authors Robert and Juanita Coulson will be the featured speakers at MunchCon I, the first Science Fiction Convention ever to be held in southern West Virginia, set for April 10, and 11 in Smith Hall on the Marshall University campus in Huntington. Other events planned for the free-admission convention include workshops and seminars, a film festival and a video-tape room, a large art show, dealers in science fiction literature and memorabilia, and a Dungeons and Dragons Tournament.

Robert Coulson has had seven books published, and Juanita has had 12, with another due to be released in September to begin a four-book science fiction series. Together they published the Hugo award-winning fan publication "Yandro," of which more issues were released than of any other "fanzine." The Coulsons have attended 14 World Science Fiction Conventions, one as "Fan Guests of Honor."

At MunchCon they will deliver a keynote speech, and will be active participants in workshops covering such subjects as "How to Start a Fanzine." Marion Zimmer Bradley's "Darkover," author Robert Heinlein, and publishing science fiction. In addition, Juanita Coulson is a well-known "Filk" singer (science fiction folk singing,) and plans to demonstrate this talent, as well.

Another special guest at the convention will be Harry Otto Fischer, longtime friend of fantasy author Fritz Leiber. The two collaborated on the creation of the well-read sword and sorcery heroes Fafhrd and the Gray Mouser. Fischer, who resides in Clarksburg, W.Va. will offer insights into the creation of such literary characters.

Val Mayerik, artist for Marvel Comics and other companies, will attend as part of the extensive art exhibition. His most recent work was the magazine-format "Paradox," a science fiction espionage adventure, the original art from which he plans to exhibit. Other contributing artists will include Hugo nominee Victoria Poyser, comics artist P. Craig Russell, professional artist Lydia Moon, and several local artists.

The film schedule will include "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea," "The Man Who Fell to Earth," two episodes of "Star Trek." four of the classic Max Fleisher "Superman" cartoons from the 1940's "The Making of Star Wars," Fritz Lang's silent feature "Metropolis," and many other features and short subjects. In addition to this continuous program, which is provided largely by the West Virginia Library Commission, there will be an extensive video-tape program including "Dark Star," "Alien." and "Close Encounters; the Special Edition."

Other seminars will cover a myriad of subjects such as collecting comics, playing Dungeons and Dragons, vampirism, make-up and masks, and special effects in filmmaking. The Dungeons and Dragons tournament will be accompanied by an introductory seminar, and the local Society for Creative Anachronism group will organize three seminars and an exhibit room spotlighting the medieval society. A children's entertainment room will be established to introduce the younger attendees to the worlds of science fiction and fantasy.

All events are scheduled for 6-11 p.m. Friday, April 10, and 8 a.m. Saturday, April 11, and are being presented by the Marshall University Science Fiction Society with financial assistance from the Humanities Foundation of West Virginia, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. For more information send a self-addressed-stamped envelope to the Marshall University Science Fiction Society, Memorial Student Center, Marshall University, Huntington, W.Va. 25701.

STAFF DAY

By Barbara Caron

Director of Morgantown Public Library

Twenty-seven staff and trustees from Monongalia and Preston County public libraries participated in the second annual Staff Day on Monday, February 16. Debbie Williams, local government trainer for West Virginia Civil Service, provided two half-day workshops:

Time Management and Communication.

Williams used Alan Laken's philosophy of time management. Laken, author of HOW TO GET CONTROL OF YOUR TIME AND YOUR LIFE, concentrates on the effective use of time. His concepts were clearly presented in the film "The Time of Your Life."

1. List your goals, set priorities.
2. Make a daily, written "to do" list. Prioritize it.
3. Do the most important (not the easiest or quickest) things first.
4. Ask yourself "what is the best use of my time right now?" And do it.
5. After sorting by importance, handle each piece of paper that crosses your desk only once. Either do it, refer it to someone else, or dispose of it.
6. Do it now! (Analyze the components and do them one at a time) Even if the task seems overwhelming.

Two of the main deterrents to effective use of time are interruptions and crises. Laken's film "A Perfectly Normal Day" demonstrates that interruptions are part of a normal day. We must plan for them and manage them. Most interruptions are caused by our job. They are really the reason we have a job because they come from our patrons, supervisors, etc..

Interruptions should not be used as excuses for not accomplishing work. Rather, with the proper attitude and approach, we should be able to accomplish all of our important tasks.

Crises can be stimulating experiences and provide opportunities for creativity. But, crises should not be recurring. One should deal with a crisis by considering the alternatives and making the best of the situation.

An afternoon mini session which concentrated on the importance of listening was a logical off shoot of time management. Effective listening saves time. It also creates positive reinforcement for the person we are listening to. When people are really listening to us, we experience self-affirmation. This has important implications for communication between library user-staff, staff-supervisor, board-director and even library funding body.

Staff Day provided a positive experience for library staff. It was an opportunity to reflect. It also provides a common experience we can refer to in the future. Library staff are now referring to a particular task as an "overwhelming A" or "only a C".

MARLF IN 1984

By Lola McClure MARLF Representative

The Board of Directors of the Mid Atlantic Regional Library Federation met during ALA Mid-winter and confirmed dates for the next MARLF Conference.

The Conference will be held October 6-10, 1984, at the new Baltimore Convention Center.

The MARLF Board will begin Conference planning next year and we can look forward to an exciting program.

Put MARLF on your calendar now for October 6-10, 1984!

- Learn what's new in the profession
- See the multi-million dollar restored Inner Harbor
with its shops and restaurants
- Visit nearly historic areas

SHILL IS COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY
SECTION CHAIRMAN



Harold B. (Hal) Shill, Chairman of the College and University Section, has two goals for that section: 1) to provide interesting, provocative programs at the spring working conference and the WVLA annual conference, and 2) to increase contact and understanding between academic librarians and members of other WVLA sections.

Raised in New Jersey and educated at Rutgers (A.B., 1966), Shill has been active in WVLA since coming to West Virginia University as a reference librarian in 1975. Since that time, he has successively served as Chief Circulation Librarian, Agriculture-Engineering Librarian, and Head Librarian of the new Evansdale Library at WVU. He has been a member of numerous program committees in the College and University Section and served as secretary of that section in 1979-80.

Prior to receiving his MLS from the University of Maryland in 1975, Shill earned a Ph.D. in political science from the University of North Carolina, served briefly in the Army, taught at North Georgia College and worked for a survey research firm. He continues to use his academic training, having contributed articles to Teaching Political Science (1979) and College and Research Libraries (1980). Shill teaches a social science bibliography course each fall and has ongoing research interests in user behavior, bibliographic instruction, and scholarly communication.

In non-work hours, he enjoys running, tennis, sailing, Pittsburgh Pirate baseball games, WVU basketball and football games, and improving his house and property in Morgantown.

He finds the opportunity to develop a new library exciting and constantly stimulating. His opinion on leaving college teaching for librarianship: "The best decision I ever made, one which looks better with every day that passes."

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY SECTION
SPRING WORK SHOP

The College and University Section will hold its spring working conference April 24 at West Virginia University in Morgantown. The conference will be held in the Agricultural Sciences Building, located adjacent to the new Evansdale Library and easily accessible from I-79. Tours of the new library will be offered at various times in the day.

A call for papers has been issued. Paper proposals should be submitted by April 10 to Hal Shill, Evansdale Library, West Virginia University, Morgantown 26505 (phone: 293-4695.) Paper topics may include personal research and reviews of existing programs. Any paper whose relevance transcends the author's immediate institutional environment will be considered, so share your innovative ideas and serious research endeavors with your colleagues.

The program committee, including Chuck Julian (Glenville State), Sandra Lindberg (Davis & Elkins), Renee Lloyd (West Virginia Northern C.C.) and Hal Shill (WVU), is also attempting to attract several exhibitions having broad interest within the profession. An effort is also being made to solicit several papers on particular topics of general interest.

Program details will be mailed to members of the College and University section after April. Members of other sections should request full program information from Hal Shill at the address above.

Other committee appointments have not been made at this writing. Members of the spring working conference planning committee have been chosen from institutions in Northern West Virginia to reduce travel distance to planning sessions. Correspondingly, librarians in Southern West Virginia will be invited to serve on the fall program committee.

Additional information will be provided in future issues of West Virginia Libraries.

ITS GROWING SEASON

WITH

SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

A Professional Growth Workshop sponsored by the School Library Section of WVLA will be held on Saturday, April 25th at Morgantown High School.

High lights of the program will be Dr. Margaret Kimmel from the School of Library and Information Sciences, University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Kimmel is the author of Magic in the Mist. Her topic will be the library as a source of reading.

New author Foster Mullenax will be available to discuss his new title Sugarlands.

Dr. Elizabeth Howard and Barbara Mertins, from W.V.U. Library Science Department will discuss school library organizations in other states.

There will also be a slide tape presentation on curriculum and the media programs in Monongalia County.

Exhibitors of books and both soft ware and AV hardware will be available for viewing.

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SELA

The biennium is getting started as far as SELA is concerned. I have just returned from the Spring Workshop held in Atlanta. The theme for President Paul Spence's year will be continuing Education and in conjunction with this, he has appointed Roberta Miller of Resources, Inc. to be the permanent Continuing Education officer for Southeastern Library Association.

There will be several workshops offered during the biennium on various topics of interest to different types of librarians. There is a form available from SELA headquarters if anyone would like to have such a program sponsored by SELA. Also there is a book "A Field Guide to Workshops" by Gail Lazenby and Virginia Rutherford now available for \$6.50. It is rather short but was highly recommended by the persons at the workshop. It can be ordered from Virginia L. Rutherford, A Field Guide to Workshops, 165 Greencrest Drive., Athens, GA 30505. Make checks payable to: A Field Guide to Workshops. All Continuing Education programs conducted through SELA must be self-supporting; however with Board approval, seed money is available.

There has been some discussion as to Louisiana joining SELA, nothing has been done formally but there is interest on both sides.

Don't forget to start planning to attend the 1982 SELA Biennial Conference, November 10-13, at the Galt House, Louisville, Kentucky.

If you have not renewed your membership for this biennium I would urge you to do so as to take advantage of the two year membership discount. If you wish to join please let me or David Gillespie know we will provide you with the forms.

Judy Rule
SELA representative

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY LIBRARY RECEIVES FRED AWARD

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library has received a major award as a result of its participation in OCLC, 2,500 member cooperative library program which includes computerized cataloging of library materials.

MU Director of Libraries, Kenneth T. Slack was presented the "Fred Award" at the January Board of Trustees meeting of the Pittsburgh Regional Library Center. The award is named for Frederick Kilgore, who designed the OCLC data base.

The citation recognizes "consistently high quality cataloging, and dedication to the principles of shared bibliographic information in the OCLC on-line Union Catalog." Marshall University Library was selected from the 60 libraries in PRLC to receive the award on the basis of the quality of input for 1979.

The computerized system makes it possible for Marshall to trace volumes held by any other library in the consortium and arrange to obtain use of them through inter-library loans. More than seven million holdings are listed in libraries throughout the United States, Canada, and Australia.

Dr. Slack credited library staff members Kay Wildman and Mary Faith Pankin with making possible Marshall's selection for the award. Miss Wildman, Music Librarian, provides cataloging information to the computer for materials in that field. Mrs. Pankin, who has moved to Alexandria, Virginia, was responsible for all other original cataloging.

GWENDOLYN J. AMOS, a recent MLS graduate of Kent State University, has accepted the position as Assistant Reference Librarian at Marshall University. She holds a B.S. degree from Central State University and a M.Ed. from Wright State University. She has had eight years teaching experience in elementary schools in Ohio.

FORREST A HALL, Assistant Reference Librarian at Marshall University, completed the eight-week Army Medical Department's Officers' Basic Course at the Academy of Health Sciences at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He then completed on-the-job training as an Automated Data Processing Project Officer for the Combat Development and Health Care Studies Division of the Academy before returning to Marshall in January.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AT ALA
Marg Chartrand
Swap 'n' Shop Coordinator

Swap 'n' Shop needs your best...

One of the most popular programs at the annual American Library Association's annual conference is Swap 'n' Shop, sponsored by the Public Relations section.

The swap part occurs prior to the conference. You are requested to send from 70 to 200 copies of flyers, posters, annual reports, bookmarks or any other printed material to a conference address in advance of the conference.

At the conference itself, you are invited to shop for new ideas in public relations from among materials sent in or from the group of p.r. experts on hand to discuss your particular problem.

Also in the Swap 'n' Shop program is a critique session of selected publications. You will be told in advance if your publication is selected. And the John Cotton Dana p.r. award winning scrapebooks and audio-visual material will be on hand for viewing.

Swap 'n' Shop '81 will take place Tuesday, June 30, from 11 to 4 o'clock in San Francisco.

Please participate. Send your best pieces now to:

ALA Swap 'n' Shop
Office of Adult Services
San Francisco Public Library
Civiv Center
San Francisco, California 94102

Be sure to drop by and shop too at the conference.

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PURSUE HAPPINESS WITH JMRT

JMRT/ALA
Membership Committee

"Libraries and the Pursuit of Happiness" is the theme for the 1981 conference of the American Library Association. The ALA Junior Members Roundtable will present a lively program to introduce all conferees to San Francisco, to the 1981 conference program, and of course to ALA. Characters from the Wizard of Oz tell the story as they meet ALA personalities such as Peggy Sullivan, Peggy Barber and Robert Wedgeworth.

ALA JMRT encourages the librarians of West Virginia to attend the ALA conference in San Francisco, June 26--July 2, 1981. All conferees are extended a special invitation to attend the Orientation program to be held Saturday, June 27, 1981, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Consult the official program for location.

June Breland, Chairman
ALA JMRT Orientation
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EDUCATIONAL MEDIA CONFERENCE

"Instructional Frontiers in the 80's." "Designs for Learning" is the theme for the state media conference that is to be held in Morgantown on May 1st and 2nd at the Ramada Inn.

The conference will begin at 10:00 a.m., Friday morning, May 1, and conclude with a luncheon and a guest speaker, Saturday, May 2. Several nationally known media educators will participate in the conference: Dr. Rolland Billings, Ann Arbor Public Schools, President of the Association for Educational Communications and Technology; Dr. Wesley McJulien, Louisiana State University, Past President of AECT; Dr. Stanley Huffman, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; Charles VanHorn, Deputy Director of the Association for Educational Communications and Technology.

The program will include hands on experience as well as many sessions involving concerns of today's library/media professionals. Topics will include gaming and simulation, curriculum and media programs, computers, management, AV productions, photography, critical viewing skills and television production.

There will be a registration fee of \$8.00 for the conference. For further information about the conference, contact Susannah Dunn, WV Department of Education, Room B-346, 1900 Washington Street East, Charleston, WV 25305. (304-348-3925.)

WEST VIRGINIA AUTHOR FOSTER MULLENAX, in his first book called SUGARLANDS, shows that the will to achieve, combined with natural intelligence, can be a winning combination.

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The University of Kentucky College of Library Science announces a new off-campus program serving the Ashland, Huntington, Charleston, and Portsmouth areas. The college of Library Science at Kentucky, an ALA accredited program, will offer a series of graduate courses for the next three years at the Ashland Community College, Ashland, Kentucky, beginning in fall, 1981, with LS 604, History of Libraries, with Dr. Michael H. Harris. One evening graduate course is planned each fall and spring semester through the spring of 1984. It is envisioned that these advanced courses together with limited transfer credit from other programs and some course work in Lexington will permit interested persons to obtain the master's degree in library science while continuing in their present positions. To have their work count towards a degree, interested individuals should gain admission to the College of Library Science, University of Kentucky. Area meetings to discuss the program, the master's degree at Kentucky, and admissions procedures, will be held, Wednesday, April 29, at 1:00 p.m. at the West Virginia Library Commission in the Science and Cultural Center, State Capitol, Charleston, West Virginia. Later that evening a meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. at Ashland Community College, Ashland, Kentucky. Dr. James Sodt, Assistant Dean of the College of Library Science will be there to answer questions.

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TO THE EDITOR A LETTER OF CONCERN

February 20, 1981

Ms. Ellen S. Wilkerson
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Dear Ms. Wilkerson:

I am in receipt of your annual dues statement for the West Virginia Library Association, and since I am not renewing my membership I believe it appropriate that I explain my failure to do so.

At Morgantown when the new dues structure was discussed, I spoke against such a variable dues structure. My argument was that since the services provided all members do not vary, neither should the dues charged for such membership. I further noted that under this proposal I would be paying dues which were five times that of certain others, while receiving nothing additional in services. Further, most public schools librarians would be paying triple the dues of \$5, and none of them have a library board which pays their dues or their annual convention costs, or anything else connected with professional association membership. I predicted at that time that WVLA would lose some members under the new dues arrangement.

My feelings have not changed in the slightest. If WVLA needs more funds, double or triple the dues, but double or triple them equally for everyone. No professional association should utilize its dues structure as a means of income redistribution. The persons most in need of professional membership activities and help are new entrants to the field, who will be paying the least, while those who have the least need will be those with many years of service and higher salaries, who will be paying the most. I assure you that my refusal to continue membership is a matter of principle. If everyone pays \$25 per year, I will be happy to do the same. Nor do I have any hostility toward WVLA: it is a fine group and I hope nothing but the best for the organization. I hope the association will reconsider and revert to the same dues for everyone, whatever the amount may be. Should that occur, I will be happy to renew my membership at that time

Most sincerely,

Walter C. Felty, Ed.D., Chairman
Department of Education Media

TAYLOR COUNTY HAS NEW
LIBRARIAN AND A NEW
BUILDING



Kay Boyce is the Director of the new Taylor County Library in Grafton, WV. Kay is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Boyce of West Union, WV. She attended Doddridge County High School, where she graduated in 1977 as Salutatorian.

Miss Boyce attended Fairmont State College where she graduated in December 1980, with a degree in Social Studies and Library Science. Her activities include being a member of the Varsity Volleyball Team, playing Intramural Sports, and being a Freshmen Counselor. She was chosen to be a member of two honor sororities: Kappa Delta Pi and Phi Alpha Theta.

The New TAYLOR COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY is completed and had the capacity to hold 28,000 volumes.

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The annual membership dues for WVLA are now due. If you did not renew at the conference, or have not sent yours in already, be sure to do so right away. We want to have at least 1000 paid members in 1981, so we are looking for new members too. The new section, friends, has great potential for new members. Only half of our trustees belong to WVLA. We must convince them of the importance of membership. Every Library in West Virginia can benefit from the growth of WVLA.

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WEST VIRGINIA LIBRARY COMMISSION
Frederic J. Glazer, Director
March 4, 1981

STATEMENT

In his opening address to West Virginia's pre White House Conference on libraries in October 1978, Governor Rockefeller stated, "we are reaching out to people all across the State...and we are doing it at the modest cost of \$1.26 per capita in State funds...a figure that needs to escalate to \$3.00 per capita as soon as possible." His words inspired the 60,000 attendees to our Governor's Conference to work with him towards realization of his pledge. In Governor Rockefeller's State of the State message to you, the 65th Legislature, the Governor's promise became an Executive recommendation in his budget presentation. As he stated, "In addition, I will recommend major increase in our library program. I will recommend that we increase per capita funding for libraries to the long sought \$3.00 level. And I will support the construction of 20 new libraries around our State."

The library community now turns to you to endorse and pass a budget that will strengthen the libraries' financial lot in life in every county of our state. Today there are 158 libraries located throughout the State. In 1970, West Virginia could not boast of more than 88 libraries, and nearly one-half million of our people were unserved. Because the Legislature believed in the importance of libraries, you approved construction funds in the amount of \$10,750,000 which enabled us to build 115 libraries in 103 communities, including 33 Instant and 26 Outpost Libraries. Seventy were established in communities which were previously unserved.

The investment of this State share of \$10,750,000 triggered \$9,164,825 in local funds and \$4,660,487 in Federal dollars, all combined for a ten-year total for library construction of \$24,575,310. The effectiveness of this investment was noted in a report for the United States Department of Education, which indicates a dramatic increase in the resources and usage of our public libraries.

In 1980, we had less than one book per capita; today we have 1.74 books per capita or over 3,000,000. In 1970 borrowing of books and library materials amounted to only 2.3 items per capita; today West Virginians are borrowing nearly 4 volumes per capita and usage approaches the 7,000,000 mark.

As is so important in the world of business, industry, and commerce, the financing of products and services must be closely scrutinized and evaluated. So, too, the financing of State Government services must measure up in effectiveness and efficiency to warrant continued financial investment in the delivery of such services. The dollar investment in our 158 library buildings exceeds \$45,000,000. Their collections -- book and non-print materials and other resources -- are valued in excess of \$35,000,000. The investment in staff and training is \$1,500,000. Collectively the investment in our public libraries exceeds \$81,000,000.

We have calculated that the yearly payout in services to library users is \$42,000,000 for an annual return on our investment of 52%! In those days of high inflation, excessive interest rates and attendant escalated costs of doing business, a 50% return on an investment is nothing short of phenomenal. We are asking for a grant-in-aid figure of \$5,990,147 to sustain the business we are in -- library services.

This really represents only 7% of the total investment in our libraries and is just one-eighth of the return or payback in yearly services received by the public.

Our services have been economically and effeciently provided. All too often in their dedication to library service, library staff have received less than federal minimum wage and on occasion given of their services to the community when funds were not available to pay them their weekly wages.

Our collections in many libraries have stagnated because of insufficient funding. In fact, when confronted by an interview team from the Daily Mail as to his support of the library program, Governor Rockefeller stated "...THE REASON THAT I DID THE \$3 PER CAPITA ON LIBRARIES, BECAUSE I'VE BEEN IN TOO MANY LIBRARIES IN THE STATE WHICH ARE BUILT BUT DON'T HAVE ENOUGH BOOKS IN THEM..."

Books are resources are the lifeblood of our libraries. To deny them is to strangle the quest for information, knowledge, leisure reading and out of school educational pursuits of all West Virginians. Were it practical, we could present quite a large book filled with success stories from the users living in the hills and hollows throughout our State. I have received, and I am sure you have heard from your constituents, case after case articulating the need for \$3.00 per capita. The necessity of \$3.00 per capita is being stated by thousands and thousands of library users, library friend, and the library trustees from all sections of the State. I am sure their message has reached you.

Your belief in our program is responsible for the giant strides which have been taken over the past decade. Our building program inclusive of twenty new libraries as recommended by the Governor, and if approved by the Legislature, should bring to an end the need for future investments in bricks, mortar, and major library construction. The case for library buildings is being made by those who are potential recipients of construction funding. I am sure that none of you who represent the seventy communities where libraries did not exist in 1970 would like to go back to that situation or would want to think of your hometown today without that library facility.

If you will only assist one more time in extending library service to those still in need, it won't be necessary to return next year seeking construction funding.

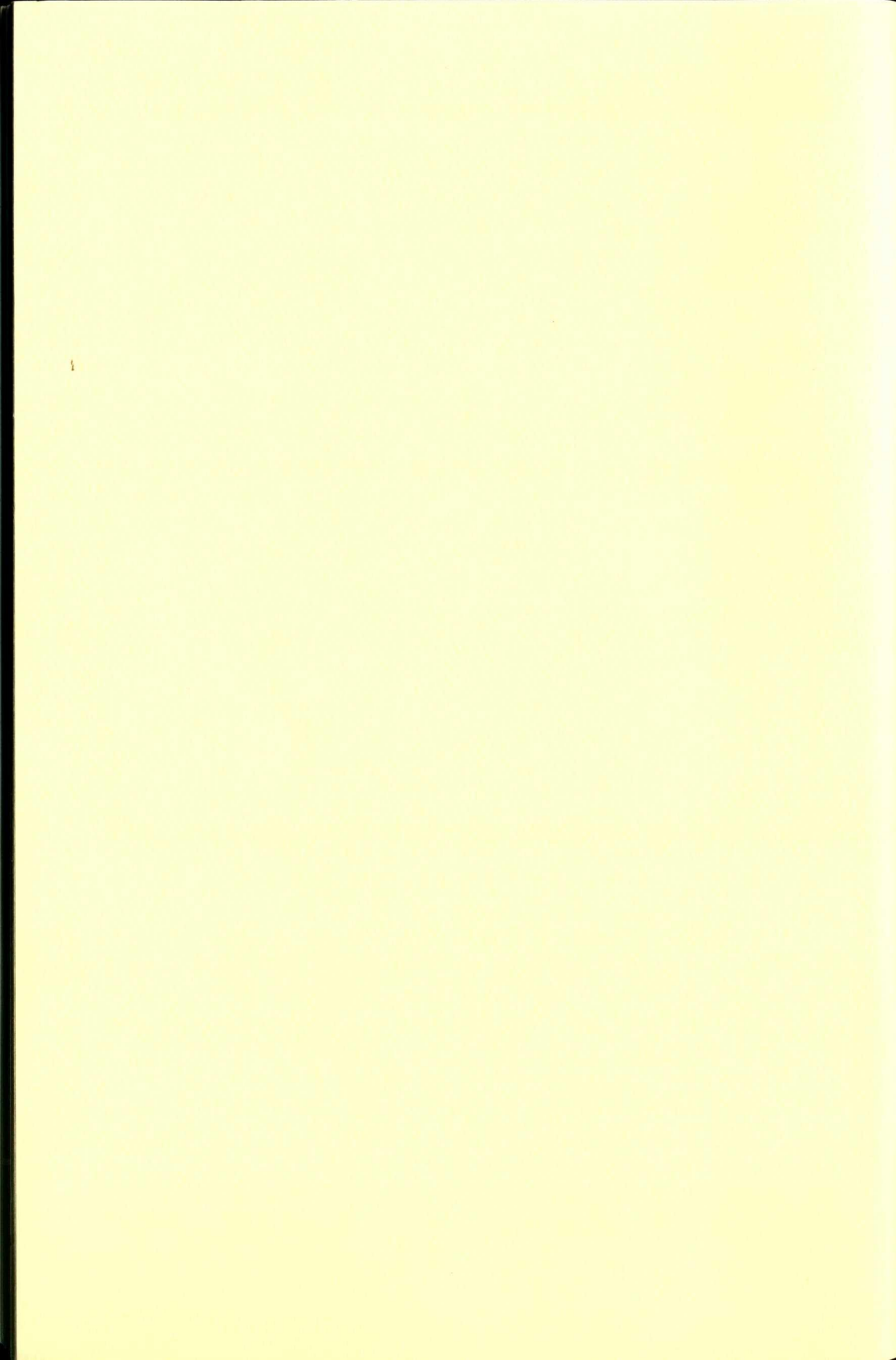
As you know, our programs extend to every West Virginian -- the blind, physically handicapped, the institutionalized, the West Virginian's from all walks of life and all ages, from preschoolers to graduate schoolers -- dropouts and, more importantly, the illiterates who are being taught to read.

The local libraries in your hometowns extend the lamp of learning to all who freely come through the doors. We ask that you allow that lamp to remain brightly lit and enlighten all in your community who turn to the library to meet their need to know.









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